

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-34.

Claims 1-34 (cancelled).

Please add new claims 35-48 as follows:

35. (new) A shotgun shell comprising:

- a) a casing having an ignition primer, said casing further having an interior;
- b) propellant positioned in said casing proximate to said primer;
- c) at least one non-combustible, non-luminous, non-liquid indicator positioned in said casing, said at least one indicator comprising at least one petal, said at least one indicator having an observable size whereby discharge of said propellant expels said at least one indicator from said casing and from a shotgun barrel for unaided observation of said at least one indicator; and
- d) at least one ballast member engaged to said at least one indicator, said at least one ballast member having a mass wherein said at least one indicator has a flight trajectory where said at least one indicator represents the trajectory of objects expelled from said shotgun barrel.

36. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 35, wherein said at least one ballast member is spherical in shape.

37. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 36, further comprising at least one cylindrical shot protector adjacent to said at least one indicator, said at least one shot protector adapted for holding shot and for protecting an interior of a shotgun barrel after discharge of said propellant.

38. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 35, said at least one indicator further comprising a pocket having at least one bridge and at least one opening opposite to said at least one bridge, said at least one indicator further comprising at least one plug disposed in said at least one opening, said at least one ballast member being disposed in said at least one pocket between said at least one plug and said at least one bridge.

39. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 38, said at least one plug having an at rest position proximate to said propellant and an operational position adapted for compaction of said at least one ballast member within said at least one pocket.

40. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 35, said at least one indicator further comprising a first compression member proximate to said at least one ballast member.

41. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 40, said at least one indicator further comprising a platform engaged to said first compression member.

42. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 41, wherein said at least one petal is engaged to said platform.

43. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 42, said at least one indicator further comprising a support engaged to said platform interior to said at least one petal, said support comprising a second compression member, said at least one ballast member engaged to said support.

44. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 43, said at least one indicator further comprising a recessed cavity proximate to said propellant.

45. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 42, said first compression member comprising a plurality of ribs.

46. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 35, said at least one indicator comprising:

- a) at least one expandible support wall having at least one gas seal proximate to said propellant;
- b) at least one ballast support traversing said at least one expandible support wall;
- c) a first ledge traversing said at least one expandible support wall opposite to said at least one ballast support, said first ledge having a central opening;
- d) at least one pocket between said first ledge, said at least one expandible support wall, and said at least one ballast support; and
- e) slow activating powder disposed in said at least one pocket wherein ignition of said at least one propellant ignites said slow activating powder through said opening for expanding said expandible support wall.

47. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 35, said at least one indicator comprising:

a first ledge, said at least one petal engaged to said at least one indicator proximate to said ledge;

a plurality of support beams extending away from said first ledge;

a second ledge engaged to said support beams opposite to said first ledge, where said at least one ballast member is engaged to said support beams and to said second ledge; and

at least one breakaway shot protector engaged to said second ledge opposite to said support beams, said breakaway shot protector adapted for holding shot within said shotgun shell.

48. (new) The shotgun shell according to claim 35, further comprising a plurality of ballast members.